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SUBJECT: SOVIET DEMARCHE ON BRAZINSKAS CASE

REF: MOSCOW 5659

1. SOVIET EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY MIKHAIL TREPYKHALIN
VISITED SOV ON JULY 18 OSTENSIBLY TO DISCUSS A CARTOGRAPHIC
CONFERENCE, AND USED OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE BRAZINSKAS CASE
ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

A. IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECENTLY ANNOUNCED AGREEMENT
ON ANTI-HIJACKING COOPERATION, THE USSR WISHES TO RAISE
AGAIN THE QUESTION OF THE TWO BRAZINSKASES, WHO AS WE KNOW
ENTERED THE US ILLEGALLY AND REMAIN RESIDENT HERE.

B. THE USSR IS SURPRISED THAT THE US ENTERED INTO AGREE-
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MENTS ON HIJACKING AT THE RECENT EUROPEAN SUMMIT AND AT
THE SAME TIME DOES NOTHING ABOUT "MURDERERS" SUCH AS THE
BRAZINSKASES.

C. THE QUESTION HAS BEEN DISCUSSED SEVERAL TIMES WITH
THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW,
BUT THE MATTER IS NOT YET RESOLVED. IN LIGHT OF THE

REFERENCED HIJACKING AGREEMENT, THE USSR AGAIN DRAWS THE

ATTENTION OF THE US TO THE MATTER AND REQUESTS THE RETURN
OF THE "CRIMINALS" TO THE SOVIET UNION.

2. DEPT TOLD TREPYKHALIN HE COULD NOT ACCEPT THE SOVIET
ASSERTIONS AT FACE VALUE, BUT WOULD REPORT TREPYKHALIN'S
REMARKS TO THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS. CHRISTOPHER

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